

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| <b>In re application of:</b> Christopher Cline, et al.    | <b>Dated:</b> November 11, 2008                                                               |
| <b>Serial Number:</b> 10/595,541                          | <b>Examiner:</b> Jermele M Hollington                                                         |
| <b>Filing date:</b> April 27, 2006                        | <b>Group Art Unit:</b> 2829                                                                   |
| <b>Title:</b> IONIZATION TEST FOR ELECTRICAL VERIFICATION | IBM Corporation<br>D/18G, B/321, Zip 482<br>2070 Route 52<br>Hopewell Junction, NY 12533-6531 |

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2008, Applicant respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.